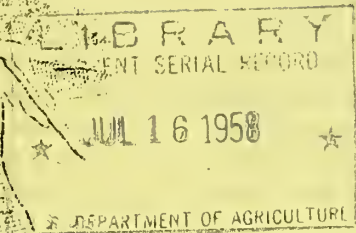


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DELAWARE ASC STATE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND NEW MEMBER NAMED

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson has designated William N. Hopkins of Lewes as chairman and appointed Isaac Thomas of Marydel as a new member of the Delaware Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. Mr. Hopkins was appointed to the Committee in January 1956; as chairman, he succeeds George C. Simpson of Houston, who has retired from the Committee under the rotation policy in effect for State ASC Committeemen.

Mr. Thomas has been a prominent Kent County farmer all his life. He is a director of the Southern States Dover Petroleum Cooperative and of the Production Credit Association, and chairman of the advisory board of the Dover-Eastern States Farmers Exchange. He is a charter member of the Kent County Soil Conservation District and has served as treasurer of the county board and chairman of the State board of Soil Conservation District supervisors. He has also served as a member of the State legislature, and is active in fraternal and civic organizations.

The third farmer-member of the Delaware ASC State Committee is William H. Reynolds of Middletown. George M. Worrilow, Dean of the University of Delaware School of Agriculture, and Director of the Agricultural Extension Service, is an ex-officio member of the Committee.

The State Office force wishes to express to Mr. Simpson, retiring Chairman, their appreciation of his fine leadership and guidance.

EXCESS CORN ACREAGE

Any farmer with excess corn acreage who wishes to comply with acreage allotments for price support, or has land in Acreage Reserve, must dispose of the excess corn by August 1, or within 15 days after his notice of excess, whichever is later.

PAYMENT DOES NOT END ACREAGE RESERVE RESPONSIBILITY

Even though a Delaware farmer receives his Acreage Reserve payment in the near future, his responsibility under the Acreage Reserve agreement continues until the end of the calendar year 1958.

Good advice to follow is: Stay within your maximum for harvest on crops for which you have signed Acreage Reserve agreements and also keep within any other acreage allotments you may have on your farm. Do not exceed the maximum permitted acreage based on your Soil Bank base. Give your Acreage Reserve tract the same careful treatment you give the rest of your farm, and keep noxious weeds under control.

Under the agreement, no crop may be harvested from the Acreage Reserve in 1958. No crop may be planted on it except certain crops for harvest in 1959 or later as approved by the State ASC Committee. Also, the Acreage Reserve may not be grazed in 1958 except under certain emergency conditions upon written permission of the Secretary of Agriculture.

A farmer who wilfully and knowingly violates any of these terms may be required to return his payment and also is subject to a civil penalty of 50% of the amount of the payment.

FARMERS APPROVE MARKETING QUOTAS FOR 1959 WHEAT CROP

The preliminary returns from a referendum held Friday, June 20, in the 38-state commercial wheat producing area for 1959 show that 83.7% of the farmers voting favor marketing quotas on 1959 crop wheat.

Delaware eligible wheat growers cast 135 votes, 119 voted for, 16 against marketing quotas, 88 percent favorable.

This is the eighth time farmers have voted favorably on marketing quotas for wheat. To make them effective, 67 percent of those voting must favor marketing quotas.

PRICE SUPPORT ON SMALL GRAINS NOW IN OPERATION

The support price of 1958 crop wheat was raised 4 cents per bushel on July 1, according to present parity. This makes the county rates on No. 1 wheat as follows:

New Castle County	\$2.08
Kent and Sussex counties	\$2.07

The above prices are subject to discounts according to grade as follows: Light garlicky, 6 cents; garlicky 15 cents, plus discounts for moisture over 13 percent. Price support loans on wheat are granted for warehouse or terminal stored wheat.

The local support price on other grains are as follows:

Oats	\$.70 per bushel
Barley	1.05 per bushel
Rye	1.23 per bushel

Loans may be granted on farm stored, and warehouse stored grain. Purchase agreement may be granted on all grain. For more details, see you ASC county office.

USDA ANNOUNCES PAYMENT RATES FOR 1957 WOOL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Shorn wool payments will amount to 15.5% of dollar returns each producer received from sale of shorn wool during 1957 marketing year. This will result in incentive payment to producers of \$15.50 for every \$100 received from sale of shorn wool. Payment rate on sales of unshorn lambs to compensate for wool on them will be 33¢ per cwt. of live animals sold. This payment is designed to discourage unusual shearing of lambs before marketing. ASC offices will begin making payments soon. Applications for payment were filed with these offices by April 30. Payments will be made only on shorn wool and lambs marketed between April 1, 1957 and March 31, 1958. To be eligible for payments, lambs must have never have been shorn.

Deductions of 1¢ per pound from shorn wool payments and 5¢ per 100 pounds of liveweight from lamb payments will be made for advertising, promotion, and related market development activities on wool and lambs.

INCENTIVE AWARDS COMMITTEE

The members on the Incentive Awards Committee for 1959 fiscal year are E. W. Bazzel, Chairman, Madaline M. Boggess, and William H. Brady, with Roberta Stafford appointed as secretary.

During the 1958 fiscal year, three awards were granted. E. W. Bazzel and Madaline M. Boggess received awards for outstanding service, and Betty Frances Hearn of Sussex County office, an award for suggesting a better method of doing a particular job.

PRESIDENT SIGNS "SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM" BILL, MAKING MORE MILK AVAILABLE
TO CHILDREN

The bill provides for continued operation of Program. "This is a good program," Secretary of Agriculture Benson said. "It's good for children, and good for our farmers. And I urge everyone who is eligible for it to make full use of this program." Program was scheduled to expire June 30. Both houses of Congress agreed to extend program for 3 years, and President signed bill into law. As a result, program will continue to operate without interruption. Program will be available to more than 5,000 summer camps, day camps, recreation centers and other child-care institutions, and schools which plan to participate in it this summer. It will serve three-quarters of a million children. This includes schools holding regular summer sessions, and schools operating during summer to make up for time lost during harvest season. Enactment of this bill also allows school administrators to plan continued participation in program when schools reopen this fall. Last school year, more than 75,000 schools and institutions took part, serving nearly 2 billion half-pints of milk. This is in addition to milk served under National School Lunch Program.

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